

CINCINNATI POLICE DEPARTMENT



STAFF NOTES

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief
March 18, 2003

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1. COURT HOLIDAY - GOOD FRIDAY

On Friday, April 18, 2003, the Hamilton County Municipal Court will observe the Good Friday Holiday. All courtrooms are open in the a.m. ONLY. Courtrooms will close at 12:30 p.m.

Police officers are reminded not to issue citations requiring a court appearance on this date.

2. POLICE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

[Attached](#) to these Staff Notes is the March, 2003 issue of the Police Academy Newsletter. The newsletter details upcoming training and other items of interest. Questions or comments may be directed to Police Specialist Todd Bruner at 352-3562.

3. COPS AND KIDS GOLF OUTING

The Hamilton County Park District, the Cincinnati Public Schools, and the Cincinnati Police Department are working together to provide a Cops and Kids Golf Outing on April 17, 2003, at the Mill Course. Students from Cincinnati Public Schools, Cincinnati Police Officers, and other community leaders are invited to participate in this event. The goal is to strengthen the relationship between the students and police officers and to support the high school golf program in Cincinnati Public Schools.

Participation in the outing will be on an off-duty basis. However, the cost of the outing, including greens fees, carts, food and prizes, will be covered under a grant from the Police Athletic League (PAL) program. Interested officers should contact Lieutenant Howard Rahtz, Police Academy, at line 352-3562.

4. 2003 STREET REHABILITATION PROGRAM

[Attached](#) to these Staff Notes is the 2003 Street Rehabilitation Program.

5. CROWN VICTORIA POWER SAVING ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT

All Crown Victoria police vehicles placed in service after April 1st, 2003 will be equipped with a power saving electrical circuit. When the vehicle is turned off and there is no change in electrical power for at least 30 minutes (door opening, etc.) the computer will turn off all electrical power to the circuit. The circuit will turn off the MDT and any other electrical equipment running in the vehicle. This device is a power saving feature that will increase the life of the vehicle battery and reduce the overall maintenance cost for the fleet. Questions concerning this device may be directed to Mr. David Diersing, Fleet Unit Commander, at 352-6365.

6. CENSUS BUREAU SURVEY

Census Bureau representatives will be surveying 78,000 households nationwide during the weeks of March 16 and April 13, 2003. The field representatives conducting the interviews will carry official photo identification cards. Officers should be aware that these personnel will be in our neighborhoods.

7. THANK YOU LETTERS

[Attached](#) to these Staff Notes are three thank you letters. The first is from Sharon Latham, a Mt. Washington resident, for the support and response she received from District Two officers. The second letter is from Ben Kaufman regarding the removal of an abandoned car on his street in Clifton. The third letter is from Thomas L. Shepherd for the professionalism and understanding displayed by District Two officers while they responded to numerous false alarms at his residence.



Police Academy News



Volume 3, Issue 1

March, 2003

The 94th Recruit Class

The 94th Recruit Class started February 17 with 25 members. On February 18, the class dropped to 24 members. Recruits in the class range in age from 21 to 50 with the average age of the class at 29. Ten of the recruits have college degrees and three have military experience. Four have previous law enforcement experience. There is one cadet in the class. This class will be the first to fall under a new state rule that requires passing of a PT test prior to taking the OPOTA written test. Those who fail to meet the age and gender standards in pushups, situps, and a mile and one-half run will not graduate.

The recruits had their first riding assignment on March 7. Graduation is August 1.

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2003 Crown Vics

The 2003 Ford Crown Vics will be assigned to the districts beginning in April of 2003. Officers will find a number of new features on the car including new-style push bumpers, a new lighting system, and new shotgun release system. Officers will also find significant improvements in the road handling of these cars. The Police Academy is providing short training sessions through March to familiarize officers with the changes. Questions on the new cars may be directed to PO Tom Haas at 7573.

Firearms Training 2003

Firearms training for 2003 will begin on March 11. This training day is devoted to use of force policy review, force decision-making, and firearms tactics. The day is an opportunity to hone shooting skills and we believe this additional day of training, instituted last year, was a big factor in reducing by 30% the number of officers failing annual qualifications.



Officers are reminded that the range is available for practice on a scheduled basis. If you'd like to work with an instructor, one of the range staff will be happy to assist you. To schedule time to shoot on your own or for advanced instruction, call the range at 563-7721. Annual qualifications begin in August.

Reid Interview and Interrogation

Reid Interview and Interrogation training will be held at the Police Academy in May. This training is considered invaluable for investigators and is a course that is consistently rated very highly by participants. The May program will consist of the 32 hour basic course and an eight-hour advanced course will also be offered.

Watch for notice of the training in Staff Notes.

Computer Training

The Computer Lab at the academy is up and running. In March, Introduction to Word, Intro to Excel, Intermediate Word, and Intermediate Excel classes are running. In April, both introductory and intermediate PowerPoint classes will be offered. Questions on computer training may be directed to PO Jim Weithofer at 7551.



Voluntary Fitness Program

Is that gunbelt feeling a little snug? If you're thinking about getting into better shape, academy staff can assist by helping develop an individualized plan. This service is available to all members of the department, sworn and non-sworn. For further information, call PS Bruner at 352-3562.



Strange but True Blotter Entries

Police in Modesto, California were called to the scene of a man assaulted with a brick.. On investigation, it was discovered the man and his friends were involved in a brick-throwing contest, seeing who could throw the bricks highest in the air. However, since it was dark, the man lost track of the brick he'd thrown which crashed on his own head. Alcohol was involved.

A Vermont man was charged with traffic violations after his truck collided with a utility pole, injuring the driver and two passengers. The driver told police one of his car speakers had a short and he ran into the pole attempting to jar the speaker back into operation.

Police in Fulton, KY, responded to a complaint of drug use and found a couple pounds of marijuana burning on a grill in the backyard with a large fan pulling the smoke into the house. William Hainline told police he'd rigged the setup to celebrate his 52nd birthday.

Training Calendar

3/10	Firearms Training Starts
4/8	Intro to PowerPoint
4/10	Intro to PowerPoint
4/14	Advanced Vehicle Stops
4/14	Principles of Investigation (40 hrs)
4/16	Stress Identification
4/22	PowerPoint Intermediate
4/23	Pre-Retirement Seminar
4/24	Pre-Retirement Seminar
4/24	PowerPoint Intermediate
5/19	Verbal Judo
5/20	Reid Interview/Interrogation (24 hrs)
5/23	Reid Advanced
6/2	SRO Basic Course (40 hrs)
6/4	SRO Advanced (24 hrs)

2003 Street Rehabilitation Program

March, 2003 - Subject to Change

Major Routes Program

Columbia Parkway	Fairfax Corporation Line to Taft Rd /Torrence Parkway
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Bond Hill Program

Anita Place	Reading Road to West Terminus
Carthage Court	Seymour Avenue to North Terminus
Eagle Court	South Terminus to Seymour Avenue
Fishwick Dr	South Terminus to Towne Street
Grafton Avenue	Dale Road to Langdon Farm Road
Rossmore Avenue	Oberlin Boulevard to West Terminus

Clifton Program

Clifton Avenue	Ludlow Avenue to Spring Grove Avenue
Clifton Hills Avenue	Ludlow Avenue to Central Parkway
Crooked Stone Road	East Terminus to Dunore Road
Dixmyth Avenue	Clifton Avenue to Whitfield Avenue
Dunore Street	Old Ludlow Avenue to North Terminus
Evanswood Place	Middleton Avenue to West Terminus
Howell Avenue	Clifton Avenue to Morrison Avenue
Lowell Avenue	Whitfield Avenue to Morrison Avenue
Marmet Avenue	South Terminus to Vine Street
McAlpin Avenue	Clifton Avenue to Middleton Avenue
Middleton Avenue	Ludlow Avenue to Wood Avenue
Middleton Avenue	McAlpin Avenue to Lafayette Avenue
Morrison Place	Ludlow Avenue to Evanswood Place
Oxford Ter	Hosea Avenue to Brookline Avenue
Resor Place	South Terminus to Resor Avenue
Sherlock Avenue	Howell Avenue to Ludlow Avenue

Columbia Tusculum Program

Donham Avenue	Eastern Avenue to Morris Place
Missouri Avenue	Grandin Road to Rushton Street /Lawler Street
Morris Place	Donham Avenue to Stanley Avenue
Torrence Court	South Terminus to North Terminus
Torrence Court	Torrence Court to Torrence Parkway
Tusculum Avenue	Eastern Avenue to Columbia Parkway
Wortman Street	South Terminus to Eastern Avenue

Corryville Program

Highland Avenue	McMillan Street to Martin Luther King Jr Drive
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CUF Program

Ada Street	Flora Avenue to Fairview Avenue
Conklin Street	East Terminus (Cliff Street) to Ohio Avenue
Flora Avenue	Emming Street to McMillan Street
Hallmar Avenue	Central Parkway to McMicken Avenue
Hastings Street	Clifton Avenue to West Terminus
Klotter Avenue	Clifton Avenue to West Terminus (Sohn Street)
Klotter Avenue	Renner Place to Ravine Street
Marshall Avenue	Riddle Road to Central Parkway
McMicken Avenue	McMillan Street to Riddle Road
Renner Place	South Terminus to Klotter Avenue
Volkert Place	Ravine Street to West Terminus
Volkert Street	Flora Avenue to Ravine Street

East Price Hill Program

Bodley Avenue	Mt Hope Avenue to Grand Avenue
Claypole Avenue	East Terminus to Wing Street
Fairbanks Avenue	Delhi Avenue to Glenway Avenue
Grand Avenue	South Terminus to Price Avenue
Ross Avenue	Glenway Avenue to North Terminus
Sterrett Avenue	East Terminus to Glenway Avenue
Theresa Avenue	Grand Avenue to West Terminus
Wilsonia Drive	South Terminus (Nonaly Avenue) to Bodley Avenue
Woodlawn Avenue	Bassett Road to Glenway Avenue

Heights Program

Digby Street	South Terminus (DeVotie Street) to Probasco Street
Fortune Avenue	University Court to West Terminus
Joselin Avenue	Digby Avenue to West Terminus
Straight Street	Clifton Avenue to University Court

Hyde Park Program

Crabapple Lane	Rookwood Drive to West Terminus
EastRookwood Drive	Rookwood Place to Rookwood Drive
Grandin Road	Grandin Place to Edwards Road
Herschel View Way	Observatory Avenue to Pape Avenue
Pape Avenue	Pinehurst Avenue to Herschel View Way
Paxton Avenue	Alpine Terrace to Linwood Avenue
Rookwood Drive	Grandin Road to North Terminus
Rookwood Lane	Edwards Road to East Rookwood Drive
Rookwood Place	East Rookwood Drive to Rookwood Drive
South Rookwood Court	Rookwood Drive to West Terminus
St Johns Place	Observatory Avenue to Erie Avenue
West Rookwood Court	Rookwood Drive to West Terminus
West Rookwood Drive	East Rookwood Drive to Rookwood Drive
Wellston Place	Observatory Avenue to North Terminus
Ziegle Avenue	Monteith Avenue to Shady Lane

Linwood Program

Columbia Parkway	Corporation Line to Beechmont Avenue
Eastern Avenue	Columbia Parkway to Wortman Street
Heekin Avenue	Eastern Avenue to Principio Avenue
Leonard Street	Russell Avenue to Archer Avenue
Linwood Avenue	Eastern Avenue to Beechmont Avenue
Shattuc Avenue	Archer Avenue to Heekin Avenue
Wooster Road	Beechmont Cir to Emerald Avenue

Lower Price Hill Program

Gest Street	State Avenue to Wilder Avenue
Nevada Street	South Terminus to Gest Street
Warsaw Avenue	State Avenue to 6th Street Ramps

Madisonville Program

Brotherton Court	Erie Avenue to West Terminus
Madison Road	Red Bank Expressway to Ridge Avenue
Red Bank Expressway	Erie Avenue Overpass to Duck Creek Road

Mt. Auburn Program

Highland Avenue	Liberty Hill to McMillan Street
Huntington Place	Auburn Avenue to Eleanor Place
Liberty Hill Street	Highland Avenue to Liberty Street
Rice Street	Mulberry Street to Thill Street
St Joe Street	Loth Street to Vine Street
Thill Street	Rice Street to Vine Street
Valencia Street	Rice Street to Valroy Place
Valroy Place	Valencia Street to Leroy Court
Young Street	Channing Street to Dorchester Avenue

Mt. Lookout Program

Alpine Terrace	Delta Avenue to Paxton Avenue
Beverly Hills Drive	Linwood Avenue to Le Blond Avenue
Devonshire Drive	Wakefield Drive to North Terminus
Hardisty Avenue	Herschel Avenue to Delta Avenue
Herschel Avenue	Hardisty Avenue to Principio Avenue
LeBlond Avenue	Heekin Avenue to Beverly Hills Drive
Moyer Place	South Terminus to LeBlond Avenue
Nancy Lane	Nash Avenue to North Terminus
Sheffield Avenue	Linwood Avenue to Richwood Avenue
Sun Crest Drive	Griest Avenue to Herschel Avenue

Mt. Washington Program

Beechmont Avenue	Campus Lane to Corbly Street
Beth Lane	Concrete Pavement to North Terminus
Bonnie Drive	Beechmont Avenue to Mendova Lane
Burney Lane	Corporation Line to Beechmont Avenue
Crestview Place	Beechmont Avenue to Oxford Avenue
Graf Drive	Rainbow Lane to Rainbow Lane
Honeysuckle Drive	Honeysuckle Lane to North Terminus
Mariwood Lane	Mears Avenue to West Terminus
Mears Avenue	Thornbird Drive to Beechmont Av
Mendova Lane	Bonnie Drive to North Terminus
Oxford Avenue	Corbly Street to Crestview Place
Rainbow Lane	Corbly Street to Coffey Street
Raytee Terrace	Ronaldson Avenue to Claudia Court
Ronaldson Avenue	South Terminus to Corbly Street
Sussex Avenue	Corbly Street to Coffey Street
Wayside Court	South Terminus to Christway Court

Northside Program

Dooley By Pass	Elmore Street to Spring Grove Avenue
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Oakley Program

Appleton Street	Madison Road to Enyart Avenue
Robertson Avenue	Appleton Avenue to Corporation Line (I-71)

Pleasant Ridge Program

Abelia Court	Ashwood Dr to North Terminus
Ashwood Dr	Pandora Avenue to Pandora Avenue
Pandora Avenue	Ashwood Dr to Woodford Road

Roselawn Program

Blackstone Place	East Terminus to Brook Crest Drive
Bluefield Place	East Terminus to Brook Crest Drive
Brook Crest Drive	Losantville Avenue to Section Road
Corvallis Avenue	Parkdale Avenue to West Terminus
Eastlawn Dr	South Terminus to Glendon Place
Greenland Place	Summit Road to Crest Hill Avenue
Griffin Dr	Section Road to North Terminus
Section Road	Corporation Line to Greenland Place
Shenandoah Avenue	Reading Road to West Terminus

South Fairmount Program

Queen City Avenue	Harrison Avenue to White Avenue
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West Price Hill Program

Ashbrook Drive	North Terminus to Prosperity Place
Clanora Drive	Delridge Drive to 8th Street
Cleves Warsaw Pike	Glenway Avenue to Corporation Line
Dale Avenue	Lockman Avenue to Overlook Avenue
Hardwick Drive	Ashbrook Dr to West Terminus
Highridge Avenue	Lockman Avenue to Overlook Avenue
Jamestown Street	Rosemont Avenue to Rutledge Avenue
Kellywood Avenue	Guerley Road to North Terminus
Lockman Avenue	Rapid Run Pike to Loretta Avenue
Loretta Avenue	Omena Place to Overlook Avenue
Loubell Lane	Clanora Drive to Wilbud Drive
Manss Avenue	Latham Avenue to North Terminus
Omena Place	South Terminus to Glenway Avenue
Pedretti Avenue	Foley Road to 8th Street
Rapid Run Pike	Sunset Avenue to Glenway Avenue
West Liberty Street	Quebec Road to Beech Avenue
Westmont Drive	South Terminus to Westmont Lane

Winton Hills Program

Center Hill Avenue	Este Avenue to North Bend Road
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Winton Place Program

Derby Avenue	Circle Avenue to Winton Road
Este Avenue	Mitchell Avenue to Kings Run Drive
Mitchell Avenue	Kenard Avenue to Este Avenue
Winton Road	Spring Grove Avenue to Railroad

2/18/2003

Dear Police Chief Streicher,

I am a little late writing this letter but I want to let you know about an incident back in the fall of 2002.

My son and wife's home was robbed during the day while they were at work. When my daughter-in-law came home, it was obvious that their home had been burglarized. My husband and I live next door and went to assist her, as she was quite upset. Nothing like this has ever happened to anyone in our family. We called 911 to request police assistance. The entire situation was handled very professionally beginning with the 911 operator up until the detective dusted for fingerprints.

I want to highly commend officers Hale and Fuller. They were very professional yet extended kindness and emotional support to all of us especially my daughter-in-law. Both officers searched the house and assessed the situation. Officer Hale and Fuller were thorough in assessing the house and making sure the situation was safe. They then asked my daughter-in-law to tell them what she could about the robbery. The officers also explained things that could be done to help keep the home safer in the future. We all appreciated the counseling and knowledge the officers provided. I believe they went beyond what they had to do. I can't recall the detective's name but he was also very knowledgeable and professional. The officers and detective later followed up with a call concerning the robbery but unfortunately no fingerprints were obtainable.

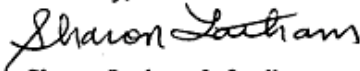
I have lived in Cincinnati all of my 55 years and have always supported the police and fire departments. I am proud of our police department and confident in the job they perform everyday.

Please thank both officers again - if I see them in the neighborhood, I'll thank them myself. I know this is a minor incident in the day of a police officer but that's the point I'm trying to stress. No situation is too small or too big for our Cincinnati police department.

If ever we can assist the police department as a citizen by helping with a levy, promotion, or fundraiser I hope you'll let us know.

Thank you so much for the response and support. I apologize for not writing sooner. The incident occurred at [redacted] Avenue, in Mt. Washington.

Sincerely,



Sharon Latham & family

Cc: Charles Luken, Mayor
Cc: Valerie Lemmie, City Manager

3.01.03

To: Chief Tom Streicher
From: Ben L. Kaufman
Subject: A compliment

Tom,

I've retired from The Enquirer and probably won't see you again at Leadership Cincinnati, so I'm writing to compliment District 5 Sgt. H. Pyles.

We had an abandoned car on our street, Terrace Avenue, in Clifton. I called District 5 a couple times, hoping for an orange sticker and tow truck. After a few weeks, I went to the station and the patrolman at the window apologized for the lack of action and recorded it - for the first time, it seems - in the overtime parking book.

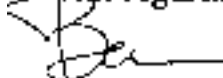
He told me to call back in 10 days if nothing happened because there were tows ahead of me.

I called and was referred to Sgt. Pyles. He, too, apologized for the delay, but took personal responsibility for getting the car moved. If it weren't gone after Friday, I was to call, tell the desk officer that Sgt. Pyles wanted to be paged, and alert him to the lack of action.

Instead, I called to thank him. I didn't have him paged and I hope that thank-you was forwarded to him.

I'm also writing you and the district commander. The junker is gone and that first step down the slippery slope of neighborhood decline is gone with it.

With regards,



Ben

cc: Dist 5 Commander, Sgt. Pyles

Thomas L. and Nancy H. Shepherd
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Cincinnati, OH 45208

March 1, 2003

Mr. Thomas H. Streicher, Jr.
Police Chief
Department of Safety
Division of Police
310 Ezzard Charles Drive
Cincinnati, OH 45214

Dear Chief Streicher,

Thank you for your letter of February 26 in which you outline the number of false security alarms responded to each year by your police force, those that my family experienced in 2002 and the fine schedule for future false alarms. First of all, I apologize for the three that we caused. I understand the inefficiency of sending responders to our house because we forgot to completely close a door (let alone lock it) or because our dog set off a glass break by jumping against a window. In my opinion the five freebies you allow is generous.

Second, I want to commend your officers for their professionalism and understanding during their visits to my house. Perhaps it's a relief to encounter no intruder but I'm sure it's a frustration as well. They have always been more than polite.

Finally, I want to thank you and all the people in your division for your hard work, for putting yourselves in harms way for my benefit and for the protection you provide. You are a major reason we enjoy a safe and orderly existence. Without you this city would have much greater problems than those through which we are currently struggling.

Thank you for your honorable service.

Sincerely,



Thomas L. Shepherd